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Mississauga Mayor Hazel McCallion was flanked by a number of her fellow mayors, including Caledon's Marolyn Morrison Friday as she announced they were going to seek financial help from the federal and Provincial governments in light of last month's ice storm.

Photo by Bill Rea

Town joins call for federal and Provincial storm aid

By Bill Rea

The Provincial and federal governments are being called upon to pick up one-third each of the costs associated with last month's ice storm.

A group of Greater Toronto Area (GTA) mayors and chairs who attended a meeting Friday in Mississauga unanimously passed a motion calling on the other two levels of government to shoulder their share of the costs.

The motion also called on the feds and Province to treat all municipalities "equally and equitably" when it comes to distributing the funds.

As well, the motion cited the urgency of the matter, and called on the two higher levels of government to respond by March 1.

Caledon has estimated damages in the area of \$2.9 million to Town property and infrastructure due to the storm. Even paying a third of that would be a burden, according to Mayor Marolyn Morrison. She wasn't sure where the funds would come from.

"We'll have to discuss it as a council," she commented. "We'll have to figure out where we get them."

Quote of the Week

"I came in with a derailment and I'm going out with an ice storm." Mississauga Mayor Hazel McCallion, on if she's changed her mind on running again this fall.

The discussion took place after a session with Municipal Affairs and Housing Minister Linda Jeffrey. She was not present for the

discussion or the passage of the motion.

Jeffrey told reporters it was a productive meeting, adding there

will be recommendations going to Cabinet and Treasury Board.

See 'General' on page 11

Canadian Tire zoning order going to OMB

By Bill Rea

There are few details to offer, apart from the fact that the Canadian Tire issue in Bolton has been referred to the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB).

Caledon council in June approved the development of a massive distribution facility for Canadian Tire at the corner of

Healey Road and Coleraine Drive in Bolton. The following month, Municipal Affairs and Housing Minister Linda Jeffrey approved a Municipal Zoning Order (MZO) for the development.

After a closed session of Caledon council Tuesday, Mayor Marolyn Morrison said the Ministry had apparently referred the

matter to OMB. The Mayor said she didn't know why this has happened.

She added she understood it could be four to six months before there's a preliminary hearing on the issue.

Construction has already started on the development, and Morrison said that doesn't have to stop, since a building permit was legally issued once the MZO came down.

"They can continue to build until the decision is made by the OMB," she said. "The building permit stands until it's overturned."

Mike Maka, senior communications advisor to Jeffrey, confirmed it was the Ministry that referred the matter to OMB. He was unable to comment further, since the matter is before the Board.

"We are pleased that the matter is moving forward for a resolution at the Ontario Municipal Board," Robert Mongeau, senior vice-president of Real Estate for Canadian Tire Corporation, said in a statement. "As you know, the Province, Town and Region completed a rigorous review of our application and granted the necessary approvals allowing construction of our new distribution centre to begin. We look forward to participating in the hearing at the OMB. In the meantime, it is business as usual for the project."



GOING TO THE OLYMPICS

Belfountain area native Jake Holden is headed to next month's Winter Olympic Games in Sochi on the men's snowboard cross team. Turn to page 13 for more on the accomplishment.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 23

Bring your own baby from 10:15 to 10:45 a.m. at the Albion-Bolton branch of Caledon Public Library. The free program is for babies up to 18 months. Join in one of the many story times where you can enjoy stories, rhymes, activities and so much more with your child! Parent or caregiver is to accompany child. Advance registration is required.

Tales for Tots at the Albion-Bolton branch of Caledon Public Library. The free program will run from 11 to 11:45 a.m. and is geared to children aged 18 months to three years. Join in one of the many story times where you can enjoy stories, rhymes, activities and so much more with your child! Parent or caregiver is to accompany the child.

Family Story Time at the Alton branch of Caledon Public Library for children up to five from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Join in one of the many story times where you can enjoy stories, rhymes, activities and so much more with your child! Parent or caregiver is to accompany child. Advance registration is required.

Chess in the library for Kids at the Albion-Bolton branch of Caledon Public Library, for youngsters six and older from 7 to 8 p.m. The Library is partnering with Chess in the Library to bring this free, fun and educational opportunity to play this wonderful game. Experienced players can come out and be challenged by new opponents. Advanced registration is required.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

Family Story Time at the Albion-Bolton branch of Caledon Public Library for children up to five from 11 to 11:45 a.m. Join in one of the many story times where you can enjoy stories, rhymes, activities and so much more with your child! Parent or caregiver is to accompany child. Advance registration is required.

Is over eating a problem? Overeaters Anonymous meets every Saturday morning at 9 a.m. at Claude Presbyterian Church, 15175 Hurontario St. (Highway 10). For more information, call 416-615-2300.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

A Scottish Celebration (An ode to Robbie Burns) with the Caledon Concert Band Sandhill Pipes and Drums, Claymore Dancers and much more. At 1 p.m. at Caledon Community Complex in Caledon East. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10 for students and seniors. For more information, call Andy at 416-276-7852 or go to www.caledonconcertband.ca

MONDAY, JANUARY 27

Adult computer workshop at the Albion-Bolton branch of Caledon Public Library from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The topic will be Getting Acquainted with the Computer. Learn to use a computer, work with Windows and use basic software programs. Advance registration required. Call the library at 905-857-1400 for more information.

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Family Story Time at the Albion-Bolton branch of Caledon Public Library for children up to five from 11:15 a.m. to noon. Join in one of the many story times where you can enjoy stories, rhymes, activities and so much more with your child! Parent or caregiver is to accompany child. Advance registration is required.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28

Family Story Time at the Albion-Bolton branch of Caledon Public Library for children up to five from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Join in one of the many story times where you can enjoy stories, rhymes, activities and so much more with your child! Parent or caregiver is to accompany child. Advance registration is required.

Girls Rock! A brand new program that celebrates all things girl from 4 to 5 p.m. at the Albion-Bolton branch of Caledon Public Library. The aim is to present positive discussion around things like peer pressure, self-image and it will help to empower girls aged nine to 12 to understand that all things are possible. Advance registration required. Call the library at 905-857-1400 for more information.

The Upper Credit Field Naturalists Club will present Ontario's Freshwater Mussels: a Vanishing Treasure with Dr. Todd J. Morris of Fisheries and Oceans Canada. The presentation will start at 7:30 p.m. at the Orangeville and District Senior Centre at 26 Bythia St., Orangeville. For more information, call Joanne at 519-925-1765.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29

Family Story Time from 10:15 to 11 a.m. at the Inglewood branch of Caledon Public Library, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. at the Caledon village branch and 7 to 7:45 p.m. at the Albion-Bolton branch. The program is for children up to five. Join in one of the many story times where you can enjoy stories, rhymes, activities and so much more with your child! Parent or caregiver is to accompany child. Advance registration is required.

Lifetree Cafe meets St. James' Church, at 6025 Old Church Rd. in Caledon East. This free venue for conversation runs from 7 to 8 p.m., and everyone is welcome. Tonight's topic will be Where Is God When Life Turns Tough? Call 416-579-9977 for more information.

Parkinson's Society West will be hosting Parkinson's Society CEO Debbie Davis, as she makes a presentation on key initiatives developed by the Society to help people cope with Parkinsons. All are welcome at the Rotary Senior Centre in Bolton. If you have any questions or plan to attend, contact Ted Dance at 905-857-3663 or at ted_dance@sympatico.ca



Kevin Attard looks over the boulevard on Humberlea Road, where a line of ash trees used to stand.

Photo by Bill Rea

Cut trees in Bolton raise concerns

By Bill Rea

The fate of some ash trees on Bolton's north hill have some residents angry, but the Town is maintaining it was necessary.

Kevin Attard was upset early last week when crews cut down about eight trees that were lining Humberlea Road.

He said he was told there were concerns the trees were infected with emerald ash bores (EAB), but Attard wasn't convinced.

"These trees are not sick," he declared.

"They were here to do a clean-up, not a cut down," he said. "They ruined the landscape of Humberlea."

Councillor Rob Mezzapelli said he talked to Town staff about the matter.

He said there was work being done to prune trees that been damaged in last month's ice storm, and they were also assessing them for possible EAB infestation.

"I got the assurances for staff that no ash tree was taken down that wasn't warranted," he said.

Mezzapelli added that parks and recreation staff do what they can to maintain the Town's stock of trees.

"I feel very confident that no trees were unnecessarily removed," he said.

He also said he told Attard that he had confidence in staff's judgement. "The last thing they would do is remove a healthy tree," he said.

Councillor Patti Foley brought the issue up at Tuesday's council meeting.

Brian Baird, parks manager and landscape architect for the Town, said the municipality has two arborists on staff, an they would have made the call.

"We left that judgement with them as professionals," he said.

Big Brothers Big Sisters holding their 2014 Tim Hortons Bowl for Kids Sake

Join Big Brothers Big Sisters of Peel as they host their largest fundraiser of the year — Tim Hortons Bowl for Kids Sake.

It's a time for the community to gather together to have fun and raise funds to ensure that every child who needs a mentor has a mentor. This year's goal is to raise \$180,000 through five different bowling events across Peel Region between Feb. 19 and April 5, with the Caledon event being held March 3, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Skyview Lanes in Bolton. Kicking things off for the 2014 Tim Hortons Bowl for Kids Sake is Honorary Chairperson and Peel Regional Police Chief Jennifer Evans.

"Tim Hortons Bowl for Kids Sake is an event that has been raising funds to help support the youth in our community for 46 years," Evans said. "As Honorary Chairperson of the 2014 Tim Hortons Bowl for Kids Sake, I encourage you to get involved by putting in a team and joining us on the lanes or sponsoring a bowler."

"With a growing number of families in

our community turning to agencies like Big Brothers Big Sisters, your support will help to ensure that children and youth will be matched with a mentor to help guide them in the right direction, teach them new skills and be a friend that they can rely on and trust," she added. "Together we can all make a positive difference for the youth in Peel Region by supporting Big Brothers Big Sisters largest fundraiser of the year."

It's easy to participate! Just gather five or six friends, family or co-workers, register by calling 905-457-7288 ext. 223 or visit www.bbbspeel.com, and collect pledges. Those who register will receive a bowling kit complete with details and access to pledge forms. Bowlers who raise more than \$200 will receive a Tim Hortons TimCARD and many other incentive prizes are also up for grabs including the opportunity to win a new laptop or 60-inch Sharp LED TV.

For more information call 905-457-7288 ext. 223 or visit www.bbbspeel.com

Osler Foundation and Shoppers Drug Mart team up in support of women's health

Women's heart health at William Osler Health System (Osler) has been supported in a big way through Shoppers Drug Mart's annual Tree of Life campaign.

Brampton's Shoppers Drug Mart locations recently presented a cheque for \$27,082 to Osler Foundation in support of Brampton Civic Hospital's Cardiology program.

"Osler Foundation is grateful to the employees and customers who support the campaign and allow us to invest in cardiology equipment and resources at Brampton Civic Hospital so that we can continue to provide patient-inspired health care without boundaries for women in our community," said Foundation President and CEO Ken Mayhew. "The Shoppers' Tree of Life campaign is a wonderful example of families helping families in our area, and we are grateful for its support."

The Tree of Life campaign is a four-week program held across Canada each fall. In support of leading women's health organizations, customers, staff and associate-owners at more than 1,240 Shoppers Drug Mart / Phamaprix locations raise funds through the purchase of the Tree of Life paper icons. Since 2002, the campaign has raised more than \$20.8 million for Canadian health charities. In 2013, over 480 women's health charities across Canada benefited from the campaign's proceeds with 100 per cent of funds staying in the community where they are raised.

In Brampton, Shoppers Drug Mart customers and employees at 16 stores across the city are involved in the campaign. Since 2006, Brampton stores have raised a total of \$127,519.62 for the education, care and support needed to support women's heart health in the region.

"The success of the 2013 Tree of Life campaign can be attributed to the support and commitment of our loyal customers and staff," said Naresh Sehdev, franchisee at the Shoppers Drug Mart at Brampton's Springdale Square. "Shoppers Drug Mart has partnered with women's health organizations at national, regional and local levels, in order to provide direct support, ensuring that essential funding, resources and education are available to meet the needs of Canadian women. We are pleased to present this year's 'Tree of Life' campaign proceeds to Osler Foundation, designated toward women's heart health initiatives at Brampton Civic Hospital."



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Anger that Town turned down for grant

By Bill Rea

The Town has decided how it's going to spend about \$182,000 of capital funding that was set aside in this year's budget.

But there was some frustration expressed as councillors were told a Provincial grant request had been turned down. There were some concerns that the Town was being penalized for being run efficiently.

Council passed the 2014 budget in December, with last-minute additions to the capital program, which were made without changing the planned tax increase of 4.98 per cent.

Town Treasurer Fuwing Wong sent a report to council last week, with the recommended projects. They include \$55,000 being added to come up with Community Improvement Plans for six villages, \$10,000 to replace the public address system at Caledon Community Complex, \$40,000 for an economic development tourism study, \$54,000 for energy-efficient lighting upgrades at the Caledon Centre for Recreation and Wellness, \$8,700 for a generator at Caledon Animal Shelter and \$15,000 for fencing and a leash-free park at the shelter.

Wong's report mentioned a Small, Rural and Northern Municipalities' Infrastructure Fund of \$100 million, which was announced in the Province's 2013 budget. The Town put in a request for a grant to facilitate rehabilitation work on a bridge on Willoughby Road, north of Highpoint Sideroad. This was described as a "shovel-ready" project, and the report said preliminary estimates had it costing about \$880,000.

The report said the grant request was rejected by the Ministry of Agriculture and Food. The letter announcing the rejection stated there had been about 350 requests for money, and "other applicants with highly critical projects had more

challenging economic conditions (as measures by property assessments and incomes)."

Council approved the staff recommendation to put the Willoughby bridge project into the capital budget, replacing planned bridge work on Dominion Street.

Wong told councillors it appeared that the Ministry just looked at assessments and incomes when deciding where the grants go. The amount or state of the municipality's infrastructure was not an issue. He also pointed out the Town has worked hard at increasing its tax-funded capital program, but it looks like there was no credit for that.

Mayor Marlyn Morrison commented that it looks like the Province is rewarding poorly-run, debt-loaded municipalities, adding the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) agree that's not fair. She said a lot of municipalities were turned down because they're deemed to be too well run. "Caledon isn't the only one," she said.

Councillor Richard Whitehead pointed out the reality is the Province only has so much money, adding it has spent the last 40 years not funding Caledon, and that's not likely to change. Economic development has to be the Town's priority and he said the Province has to stop interfering with that.

"Please Province," he said, "stop interfering with us in our pursuit of local economic development."

Councillor Richard Paterak was even more critical of the Province, commenting it has problems of its own making.

He also pointed out about 80.5 per cent of the land in Caledon is frozen because of provincial regulation. Paterak said he didn't want that to change, but stressed the Province has to appreciate what the Town is being asked to do with the other 19.5 per cent.



Drew Morey of Drew Morey Productions is seen next to this promotional poster his company created, flanked by CDVS Program Coordinator Pina Marino, Councillor Patti Foley, Mayor Marlyn Morrison, Councillor Rob Mezzapelli, Dufferin — Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones, CDVS Executive Director Dorothy Davis and Board Chair Carolyn Langan.

Photo by Bill Rea

CDVS unveils a new poster

By Bill Rea

Caledon Dufferin Victim Services (CDVS) has provided an essential service in the Town of Caledon and the County of Dufferin for more than 20 years.

The agency has started a media campaign, aimed at encouraging people to seek their assistance.

The campaign includes a new poster, created by Drew Morey Productions.

Morey said the theme of the campaign is "Whenever you're ready."

The poster depicts a backdrop of an imaginary happy world, in which everyone wears theatrical masks. But in the foreground is a person removing the mask, ready to face the real world. The message, he said, is CDVS is there to help people take that step.

CDVS provides assistance and safety

planning for victims of crime and tragedy 24 hours a day, seven days a week and 365 days a year.

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Working closely with the talent of Morey and his team, the agency has designed a provocative ad that they hope will invite people to take the next step forward, to reach out and to access our services.

Poverty group offers input on budget

The Peel Poverty Action Group (PPAG), based in Brampton, offered input last Tuesday (Jan. 14) on the upcoming Provincial budget.

PPAG Chair Edna Toth made the presentation to a pre-budget consultation of Ontario's Standing Committee on Finance and Economic Affairs in Oakville

She told the committee PPAG is an organization which lobbies on poverty issues to all levels of government. The Province was being approached to assist cash-poor people in Peel, and Toth said a good starting point would be a \$100 a month increase in Ontario Works (OW) and Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) that was recommended by the Lankin-Sheikh Social Assistance Review.

Toth also said Peel needs more affordable housing, as she pointed out 12,853 people were on the waiting list for subsidized housing in 2011, closer to 14,000 now. Peel's population is growing by about 30,000 a year, which pushes property prices higher. As well, she pointed out that many cash-poor people rent single rooms in private homes at \$450 a month, when their total income may be a little more than \$600 a month. They can't live on what's left.

PPAG commended the government on requiring municipalities to permit secondary units. Toth pointed out Mississauga

has already held consultations and passed the necessary bylaws, and Brampton is on its way.

She also said PPAG has lobbied all municipal councils in Peel to forbid acceptance of election donations from corporations and labour unions.

"We believe that councillors can play hardball with corporations which includes developers, when planning permissions are considered, and that municipalities can demand more social housing in new developments," she said. "You probably know that the provinces of Manitoba and Quebec, and the City of Toronto have made such rules. Would the province of Ontario consider them?"

Toth said there are many homeless people in Peel. Some live in the woods, while others live in cars, underground parking lots, empty buildings and 14,000 people used emergency shelters in 2011. She added that number is not dropping.

Another point she made is that health care is at risk among cash-poor people. She commented the Region helps seniors in need of dental care with money from property taxes. But it can't help all of them, or provide all services.

"Property tax is not the treasure chest that dental care should come from," she said. "Please add dental care to OHIP. Seniors need it, but so do cash-poor people of all ages."

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Traffic issues are top priority being imparted to police

By Bill Rea

Caledon OPP is working on updating its business plan for the next three years, and issues involving traffic and enforcement are high on the list of priorities with the public.

Sergeant Mike Garant made the observation Tuesday night at the third of four public consultations being held on the issue. This session was in Bolton, and the final one will be this coming Tuesday (Jan. 28) at 7 p.m. at Southfields Village Public School at 110 Learmont Ave.

The last such consultation was conducted three years ago, and Garant told the audience at the Bolton session that the three top priorities at that time, of almost

equal stress, were traffic enforcement and safety, crime prevention and community policing (visibility). But traffic issues have taken a commanding lead this year, he said; on an order of about 80 per cent.

"It's already on our radar as a top priority," he said.

Crime prevention and community policing have been raised at the other sessions, too, Garant added.

There were a couple of other priority issues raised in Bolton, including addressing Caledon's former status as Canada's safest community. Caledon was named that for several years in a row by Maclean's Magazine, but lost that status in 2013.

"Some of it is beyond our control," Garant observed.

The issue of response times was also raised.

Garant said calls are subject to priority. An emergency in progress will be responded to by officers using their lights and sirens, and driving as fast as they can, maintaining safety.

He added an emergency in Bolton will see an average response time of about four minutes, although he added it can sometimes take longer, if there's a bad accident or some other emergency requiring their attention.

"We do prioritize every call for service," he commented. "We take every call for service seriously."

The Town is divided into zones, and Garant said if an officer is not responding to a call, that person is expected to be in their zone, presenting a visible presence.

Addressing issues of traffic enforcement, he said there are problem areas; places that are notorious for infractions. But Garant added they don't have the resources to have a police cruiser parked in one area all the time just be-

cause people say there's a lot of speeding or running of stop signs.

He said there was an area of Bolton where they had been getting a lot of complaints regarding stop signs. Garant said they assigned unmarked cars and officers on foot, and they were able to catch a lot of violations. He added about 90 per cent of the drivers they stopped lived within a kilometer of the problem intersection, and one of them had been one of the people who had been complaining.

There had been concerns when the entire detachment moved into the new station on Innis Lake Road about a year ago, that the police presence would decrease. But Garant said the public feedback he's been hearing has indicated the opposite.

The public has a role to play in traffic enforcement. Garant urged people who see an infraction to get a description of the vehicle (including the licence number, if possible) and report it. Even if they can't get to the vehicle right away, the information may help form a pattern that can help them later.

He also said crime prevention is very important, again urging people to report anything suspicious they see in their area.

Again, there are things people can do to prevent being victims, such as making sure they lock their cars. Garant said would-be thieves will try to get into a car, and if they find it's locked, they will move on in search of an unlocked one.

"It's not just a Caledon issue," he said. "It's happening everywhere. The best way to avoid it is just lock that car."

Breach of probation charge laid

A 44-year-old Caledon woman was charged with violating a condition of a probation order Jan. 11.

Caledon OPP reports an officer was sent to a Bolton home at about 3:45 p.m. to investigate a family dispute.

The officer found a male and female who were both intoxicated. It was eventually determined that the woman was under a probation order which included a provision that she not consume alcohol or other intoxicating substances.

Crime Prevention Committee depends on volunteers

Residents and visitors to the Caledon area enjoy a level of security that is envied by many, but it doesn't just happen.

Search warrant executed

Members of the Street Crime Unit of Caledon OPP executed a warrant at a home in Bolton Jan. 7.

The warrant recovered a custom Go-Cart, a Suzuki motorcycle and four Jaguar tires and rims.

Two youths from Bolton were arrested and charged with possession of property obtained by crime.

Further information was obtained leading the investigators to two other properties in the Caledon area, recovering another custom Go-Cart and a 2002 Yamaha ATV.

The total value of the recovered property was estimated at more than \$10,000.

The youths are scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice at a later date.

Strict enforcement, municipal leadership and community involvement are the keys to an extraordinary level of comfort and safety, according to Caledon OPP. In the Caledon area, it's the remarkable community involvement component that allows municipal and policing partners to develop strategies and programs that are effective and sustainable.

The Town of Caledon Crime Prevention Committee is seen as a perfect example of how residents can learn – develop and share crime prevention tips with their neighbours. Volunteer members of the Crime Prevention Committee work directly with police to learn about crime trends, share concerns and ideas and then develop responses. Crime prevention responses must meet four basic criteria: effective, economical, fair and safe for all involved.

To learn more about the "behind the scene" efforts that build a safe and secure environment, or to be connected with current volunteer members, contact Constable Brenda Evans at Caledon OPP.

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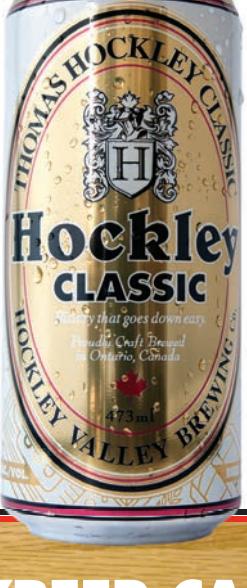
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Council distributes proceeds from golf tournament

By Bill Rea

Golf may not be the strongest suit for Caledon councillors, but their annual golf tournament results in a lot of good.

Council recently handed out the cheques to the groups and agencies benefitting from this year's tournament, which was held Sept. 11 at Osprey Valley Golf Course near Alton.

Councillor Doug Beffort, who with his wife Doreen, organized this year's tournament, told his colleagues the 2013 edition was the most successful ever.

The tournament has been held annually since 2004, and Beffort told councillors that prior to this year, it had resulted in more than \$497,000 being donated to

various causes. This year's success sent that number up to more than \$625,000.

Beffort thanked his colleagues for their support, stressing it takes a team to bring something like this about. He also thanked his wife for leading the team for the last four years. He also thanked Town staff, as well as the people at Osprey Valley.

This year's tournament attracted about 290 golfers.

The staff report to council stated this year's tournament raised \$140,842, with the operating expenses coming to \$34,770.

Staff also reported council decided in February to designate Headwaters Health Care Foundation as the primary recipient

of this year's proceeds.

Councillors recently presented a cheque for \$100,000 to representatives of the Foundation. Staff explained that its the total of \$82,280 from the proceeds of the tournament, as well as \$17,720 raised from the tournament, but recognized as direct revenue.

Other recipients were Caledon Meals on Wheels, which received \$10,000; Sandhill Pipe Band — \$3,000; the Bolton Cenotaph project of the local Business Improvement Area (BIA) — \$3,000; Caledon Village Association — \$500; Alton

Grange Association — \$500; Caledon Tennis Youth Program — \$500; Alton Cemetery Board — \$500; St. Andrew's Cemetery — \$500; and Caledon Townhall Players — \$500.

Mayor Marlyn Morrison made a point of praising the amount of work Mrs. Beffort puts into the tournament. She also observed councillors have their jobs to do, ranging from collecting funds to delivering the potatoes for the dinner.

"Every year, we've seen it grow, grow, grow," she said. "It all goes back to our community."

Husky Movember squad raise funds for prostate cancer research

This year, 32 people from Husky Injection Molding Systems participated in Movember Canada.

This is part of an international fundraising campaign that challenges men around the world to grow a moustache or mo' throughout the entire month of November to raise money for prostate cancer research.

Movember has generated a lot of fun and friendly competition around Husky's Bolton campus, as everyone has tried to out-grow and out-fundraise each other. As November has ended, the Husky Movember squad has collectively raised more

than \$8,600 in donations. This year, a record 173,283 Canadian men participated in Movember, raising more than \$29 million so far and placing first internationally.

Movember is a small fundraising campaign that started in Australia in 2003 to raise funds for prostate cancer. It has since evolved into an international effort to improve men's health and has official campaigns in more than 20 countries around the world. This year, more than 967,000 men participated in Movember globally raising more than \$105,000,000 to date.



These employees of Husky Injection Molding Systems were right in the Movember spirit in November.



Representatives of various community organizations were on hand recently to receive some of the proceeds from this year's Caledon Council Charity Golf Tournament.

Photo by Bill Rea

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Experience Fire and Ice

Festival of flames, food and fine art at Alton Mill

The stage is set for the fifth annual Fire and Ice festival at the Alton Mill Arts Centre this weekend (Jan. 25 and 26).

Warm up to winter, and bring the whole family to this arts-rich weekend. Enjoy skating on the Millpond, snowshoeing lessons, igloo building, ice sculptures, raku and blacksmith demonstrations, indoor art activities and workshops, stories, music and more. Cozy up by the fire with hot drinks and treats from Shaw's Creek Café, try a maple syrup snow pop from Love's Sweetness Maple Syrup or enjoy a beer and a bite hot off the grill at the Millpond barbecue.

Saturday only, experience a Canadian tradition: pond hockey on the rink. Cheer on the teams competing in the Millpond Hockey Classic beginning at 9 a.m. Junior, women's and men's games are scheduled. Opening ceremonies take place at 11:45 a.m., with dignitaries in attendance.

Free skating, shinny and cider jug curling get under way at 3:30 p.m. Saturday and continue Sunday from noon to 5 p.m.

Elsewhere on the site, create an igloo with snowmeister Martin Fischer (Saturday from noon to 5 p.m.), or hone your skill at the snowball target and help construct a snow fort with Alton Public School.

Learn how to snowshoe with the experts from Caledon Hills Cycling, and watch potter Ann Randeraad's demonstra-

tion of Raku firing (Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m.). Experience the drama when Randeraad lifts the ceramic pieces from a hot outdoor kiln into freezing temperatures.

In the Livery, the Country Forge blacksmith will host demonstrations throughout the weekend. In the Annex Courtyard, watch ice sculptor Winston Uyttenbogaart at work (Saturday from noon to 3 p.m.).

Inside the Mill, studio artists will have workshops and demonstrations to warm body and soul. Offerings will include the chance to "Give it a whirl" at The Hive's encaustic workshop (Studio 201, both days at 1 and 3 p.m. — \$10 per person for supplies), or make your mark and "Create Words of Fire" in Studio 206 where artist CJ Shelton will be building a collective word "mandala," a circular design made up entirely of written words. At Cedar and Stone Floral (Studio 213, Saturday starting at noon) Karen Cal will create a fresh arrangement using the bold colours and textures of flowers from the Tropics. Throughout the building, witness art in action as new paintings, glass, jewellery and pottery take shape in the art studios.

Things will really heat up Saturday evening at dusk when artist Paul Morin ignites his brand new fire sculpture. Without revealing too much, his hints indicate that "bridging the sky and earth, male and

female, the mythic shape of a pyramid will be set ablaze in a live musical event."

Bring cameras and enter the Capture the Burn Photo Contest. (Details at altonmill.ca) After the burn, the release of sky lanterns, each carrying a wish for the new year, will cap off the day.

Sunday, indoor and outdoor activities will continue, including snowshoe demon-

strations and skating on the Millpond from noon to 5 p.m.

Admission will be free, but donations are being suggested of \$5 per person or \$15 per family.

Activities are subject to change without notice. Outdoor activities are subject to appropriate weather conditions.

For full details, visit www.altonmill.ca

GTA Young Drivers launch winter driving story contest

By Tabitha Wells

Winter driving in this part of Ontario can be nerve-wracking, especially if you are unfamiliar with the potentially treacherous conditions or have not had proper safety training.

In order to counter the lack of education, GTA Young Drivers (YD) of Canada has decided to launch a Winter Driving Story contest for January.

Angelo DiCicco, general manager of GTA Young Drivers, explained the idea was developed when no one really paid attention to December's National Safe Driving Week.

"The uptake and the interest in the media was focused on other things, like Rob Ford, and very few people were talking about Safe Driving Week," he said. "So we came up with this contest to raise awareness for safe driving in the winter, and refreshing people's memory. Almost everyone needs a refresher at the beginning of the year because winter is not going to just go away, not yet anyway."

The contest is open to anyone aged 16 and older and rewards the grand prize winners with free access to an online winter driving tutorial on the new YD winter driving website, a free educational classroom component, and free in car lessons valued at \$399.

The in-classroom program covers everything from skid prevention and control, how to drive in snow, what to do if you hit black ice, how to use your ABS brakes properly and more.

"The rules of the contest are such that anyone who participates will have access to a three hour online tutorial free of charge," added DiCicco. "All they have to do is submit either their scariest or funniest winter driving story. It doesn't matter

whether they are a pedestrian, a cyclist, a passenger or even a driver."

While the contest is being run by the GTA branch of Young Drivers, those outside the GTA are eligible to win if they are willing to take the courses at one of the GTA locations. To enter the contest, all drivers have to do is submit either their funniest or scariest winter driving tale.

"I had one student submit a story about how the week before Christmas, he and his buddy laced up their skates and were skating up and down their street because it was that quiet and icy," DiCicco explained. "So that was a pretty cool story. And if nothing else, it tells drivers to be prepared for people to be skating up and down a street in extremely icy conditions."

The contest runs throughout January and three grand prize winners will be selected at the end of each week.

"This is my 28th year with Young Drivers of Canada and I've been the director of the GTA for 18 years now," DiCicco said. "What I'm finding is there are more and more people who are less and less competent with their winter driving skills."

He added that a rather large contributing factor to the decrease in skilled winter drivers could be the advances in modern technology in cars. Things like all wheel drive and ABS braking controllers make people feel safer and like their cars can handle more, so people are pushing the limits of speed and safety in the snow.

"They don't seem to be as cautious with safety rules like keeping space between themselves and the vehicle in front and acknowledging the ever-changing road conditions," he said. "That's why I'm launching this campaign — just to get the word out that if you're going to live in Canada, you better get used to the snow because it's not going away for a while."

To enter the contest, visit www.ydwinterdriving.com/contest

For more information on Young Drivers of Canada or how to sign up for one of their courses, visit www.yd.com

Headwaters gets Valued Partner recognition from Headwaters Communities in Action

Headwaters Health Care Centre (HHCC) recently received the Valued Partner Award from Headwaters Communities in Action (HCIA).

The award recognizes key community partners that have helped HCIA with projects which enhance the well-being of the region.

Established in 2004, HCIA is a grassroots citizen group operating in Dufferin County and the Town of Caledon. It offers leadership and works collaboratively on initiatives that respond to shared community opportunities and/or concerns.

"We are truly honoured to receive the Valued Partner Award from HCIA," said Liz Ruegg, president and CEO at Headwaters Health Care Centre. "Working alongside community groups like HCIA provides us with opportunities to contribute to the health and well-being of the communities we serve, and help to shape the future of this region."

In support of the group's initiatives, HHCC donated classroom space for HCIA's CANBIKE Instructor Certification Program and is participating in the Rural Transportation Working Group which HCIA has convened to generate shared solutions to meet transportation needs in rural regions.

"Strong community partnerships are critical to the success of HCIA's initiatives and the support of Headwaters Health Care Centre continues to play a big role in our operations," said Sylvia Cheuy, a volunteer with the HCIA Leadership Council. "With the support of partners like Headwaters Health Care Centre, HCIA is able to sustain and advance our mandate so that our communities can benefit from opportunities that are possible only by working together."

HCIA has been actively involved in local food and farming initiatives, championing the development of a trails network, the creation of a report measuring social, economic and environmental wellbeing of Dufferin County and the Town of Caledon, and expanding the region's not-for-profit sector.

Car seat clinic this coming Tuesday

Caledon OPP and Auxiliary officers are organizing a child car seat clinic.

It will be Jan. 28, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Bolton Fire Station at 28 Ann St.

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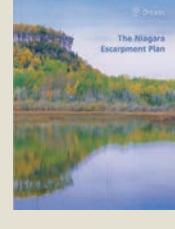
Town News

Town of Caledon launches 2015 Provincial Plan Review

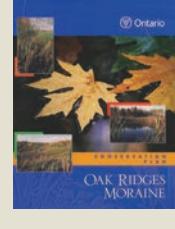
The Town of Caledon is proactively seeking public input on the upcoming review of four Provincial Plans that significantly influence almost all aspects of planning in the Town.



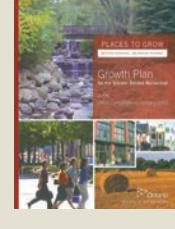
Greenbelt Plan



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Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe

Why is This Important to Caledon Citizens?

The purpose of the review is to assess the effectiveness and relevance of the policies, and suggest amendments, if appropriate, to improve the future effectiveness and relevance. The review of these plans is important as parts of the Town of Caledon lie within the Niagara Escarpment and the Oak Ridges Moraine, and as well, the Town of Caledon is part of the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe and the Greenbelt Plan.

Your Chance to Have Your Say...

Town Planning staff would like to hear from all affected and concerned members of the public, in advance of the Provincial review, on how these provincial plans have changed the way you live, work and play in Caledon.

Easy ways to send us your comments



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ICE STORM UPDATES

Visit caledon.ca/icestorm2013 for more information on the Town of Caledon response to the ice storm or follow us on Twitter/YourCaledon.

Caledon's Walk of Fame Nominations

The Town of Caledon is now accepting nominations for the 2014 inductee to Caledon's Walk of Fame. Since 1999, the Walk of Fame has been honouring local individuals who have made a significant contribution locally, nationally and internationally. All nomination forms must be submitted to the Town of Caledon by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, February 1, 2014. Nomination forms are available online at www.caledon.ca, from the Parks & Recreation Department or by calling 905.584.9254.

Notice of Intention to Designate

TAKE NOTICE that the Council for The Corporation of the Town of Caledon intends to designate the following property as being of cultural heritage value or interest under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18:

Former Caledon Ski Cabin, 16590 Hurontario Street

Part Lot 6, Concession 1 WHS being Part 1 on 43R-31272; Town of Caledon; Regional Municipality of Peel

Although not original to its current site, this log cabin has a direct association with the development and early years of recreational skiing activity in the Town of Caledon by area residents and ski enthusiasts from Toronto and more distant locations. During the Second World War, it was associated with Norwegians (and others) who were in Canada as part of the British Commonwealth War Air Training Plan. Likely built in the early- to mid-1930s, the cabin's round log construction type—with the logs exposed on the interior and exterior, and with extended ends at the interlocking corners—originated in Scandinavia and Eastern Europe. This rustic style, adopted by American and Canadian Park Services beginning in the late 19th century, is used for Ontario ski lodges and chalets as a tribute to the Scandinavian origins of skiing and the rustic, natural wood construction of mountain ski cabins. The use of oversized metal door hinges, bolts, and shaped reinforcing bars on the cabin's south entrance door is both a Scandinavian influence and an early 20th century Arts and Crafts Revival period element.

The 1963 relocation and reassembly of the cabin and the subsequent alterations that added a basement, fireplaces, bedrooms, a change in entranceways, replacement windows and floors, and other upgrades are part of the evolution of the structure and have not altered its ambience and charm as a traditional log cabin in a natural setting.

Further information regarding the heritage attributes and designation of this property is available in the Heritage Resource Office at the Town of Caledon Town Hall.

Any person, within thirty days of the publication of this notice, send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk notice of his or her objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If a notice of objection is received, the Council for The Corporation of the Town of Caledon will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing and report.

Animal Shelter Closure Notice

The Caledon Animal Shelter will be closed to the public for renovations on Friday, January 24, 2014. The Animal Shelter will reopen on Saturday, January 25, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

For those interested in adopting a pet, please refer to the Town's website at www.caledon.ca/petfinder to view a list of available animals. Dog licences may be purchased at Town Hall, 6311 Old Church Road or by phone to 905.587.5208 or toll free at 1.866.818.5493.

Any inquiries regarding this facility can be directed to staff at Caledon Animal Shelter at 905.587.5208 or by email to animal.services@caledon.ca.

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Contact: Doug Osborn, Project Manager, Real Estate Town of Caledon 905.584.2272 x.4037 or doug.osborn@caledon.ca

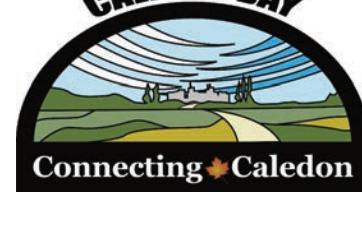
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Caledon Day Needs You!

Caledon Day is a community-wide event hosted on Saturday June 14, 2014. The Caledon Day Working Group is recruiting members to assist with the implementation process, with engaging community partners and with the marketing campaign. Interested volunteers would commit three hours a month and should contact: Heather Savage at 905.584.9254 x.4815 or email: heather.savage@caledon.ca



Safety Messages from Fire & Emergency Services

Chimney Safety

The Town of Caledon Fire & Emergency Services has seen an increase in responses for Chimney Fires. We are urging owners / tenants to take a few moments before lighting the fire to ensure the flue is completely open and that the chimney is free from creosote deposits.

To prevent a fire or exposure to carbon monoxide poison, please practice the following:

- Check your chimney regularly for signs of damage or corrosion.
- Have all chimneys cleaned and inspected at least annually in order to prevent a build-up of fire causing creosote.
- Install carbon monoxide alarms in your home.
- Install working smoke alarms on every level of your home.

For inquiries, please contact the fire service at 905.584.2272 x.4303 or visit us online at www.caledon.ca



Restoring Emergency Protection Equipment

In light of the recent ice-storm, the Caledon Fire & Emergency Services is reaching out to the business community to ask for support in checking all emergency equipment. Emergency Lighting and Exit Lights are supplied by electrical power, backed up by battery power. In the event of a power outage, those units supply illumination for a short period of time; this allows occupants to evacuate. Since the power outages in some areas was lengthy, we are urging building owners / occupants to ensure those units are operational, by performing the following steps:

Step 1 - Visually check all emergency lights and exit lights to ensure they are illuminated.

Step 2 - Turn off the electrical power; are all emergency lights and exit lights still illuminated?

If any unit(s) is NOT illuminated, please contact your local fire protection company to correct the issue.

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Arts & Entertainment



Blackhorse Village Players

The Accidental Hit Man Blues is a sure-fire hit

Despite the title, it's no accident Blackhorse Village Players score a resounding success with *The Accidental Hit Man Blues*.

In a show not to be missed, detectives Mully and Sculder (yes, that's the way they say it) search out the whys and whereabouts of a series of murders carried out by an alleged hit man. Among the persons of interest, they are quick to interview Ron and Laura, a sweetly starry-eyed couple, allegedly innocent bystanders to the presumed killings. All is not as it seems, and it promises to be a highly entertaining evening before a most surprising solution.

As Laura, Chrystal Howard smoothly

plays a role that calls for wide eyed innocence and artful trickery, a slippery slope to climb, particularly when love, murder and potatoes are at the peak. Howard is entirely convincing in a first appearance at Blackhorse, and inspires confidence, a difficult task to master when you are a down-and-out-of-work wife in "the only twenty dollar a night hotel room in the world."

She is aided and abetted by Ron, an equally financially bedraggled spouse (Aaron Verwey). Somehow, the acting duo have a chemistry that triggers success. Being enormously likable, they have the audience wondering how they will man-

age; but manage they do, leaving a trail of alleged victims in their wake as well as a most appreciative audience.

You will meet the long-suffering Mrs. Frobisher (Rosaleen Egan), set upon by a philandering husband, and her fate is delightful. In a sensitive performance, Egan inspires sympathy not only from Ron and Laura, but from the audience who silently cheer her on. As a writer turned actor, Egan knows how to use words well.

Then there's Sammy/Hit Man (Kevin DeLand), priceless in a dual role that brings out the best of gawky youth and shady villain. In a Blackhorse debut, DeLand holds attention easily, be it flopping in the face of Laura's iron fist or counting his "secs" to a hilarious outcome.

Not all victims are alleged; some, the likes of Johnny (Morris Durante), merit their fate. Despite playing a villain, Durante manages to be the most endearing performer in the show. His brawny blow hard demeanor has the audience in stitches. As Johnny hops desperately across the stage, hoping to forestall his demise,

there's as much talent in the action as the dialogue, and with each leap, the laughter mounts.

The tension mounts too, with each appearance of the dynamic crime duo, Mully (Vince Ursini) and Sculder (Dominique Ursini). Ursini offers a commanding performance, saluted reluctantly by Laura and Ron. He easily manipulates a scene to his advantage, and the ending is totally surprising given such a talent to pull it off. The prim and proper Sculder takes a professional turn and emerges at the top, thanks not only to a twist in the plot but a versatile talent that takes her from backstage management to the spotlight of success. Well done, detectives!

The Accidental Hit Man Blues, as directed by Kim Perry Blacklock, with co-producers Cheryl Phillips and Ginny Cathcart, and stage manager Jim Gillies, offers hilarity, fun, and a fresh outlook on the work of a hitman. On stage Jan. 24, 25, 26, 30 and Feb. 1, it's not to be missed. Call for ticket information at 905-880-5002.

Doubts about God addressed at Lifetree Café

What happens to religious faith when hard times come?

That will be explored at Lifetree Café this coming Wednesday (Jan. 29) in Caledon East.

The program, entitled *Where Is God When Life Turns Tough?*, will feature the filmed story of John Stumbo, a healthy ultra-marathoner who was suddenly attacked by an undiagnosable, life-threatening illness.

"I discovered the faith I claimed as a child was being tested in a new way," Stumbo said. "It was being tested in an ICU ward, facing life or death."

Participants will discuss what happens to faith in the face of disappointment and disaster.

The program will run from 7 to 8 p.m., and admission is free. Snacks and beverages will be available.

Lifetree Café is at St. James' Anglican Church, 6025 Old Church Rd., in Caledon East.

Lifetree Café is a place where people gather for conversation about life and faith in a casual coffeehouse-type setting.

Questions about Lifetree may be directed to Mark Tiller at 905-584-8506 or mark.lifetree@gmail.com

Learn about Noble family at historical society

There will be a "noble" topic at the next meeting of the Caledon East and District Historical Society.

the next meeting of the society, which will be Jan. 29 at St. James' Church on Old Church Road.

The Noble family has a long following in the village, having first come to Caledon East in 1939, and their story intermingles with those of other prominent families in the area.

The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m., and this will be the society's annual general meeting, meaning there will be annual reports. Membership fees of \$15 are due.

Admission is \$5 for visitors.

All are welcome.



PIZZAZZ OPENED AT MILL

Pizzazz, a show offering a variety of colour, contrast, form and movement, is open at the Alton Mill Arts Centre until Feb. 2. The creations of 17 artists are on display, and some of them were on hand for the recent opening reception. Seen here are Jacklyn Hancock, Catherine Howard, Darlene Hassall, Jackie Warmelink, Ed Clark and Warren Galloway.

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FROZEN 3D (G) (CARTOON/ANIMATION ACTION) REALD 3D, STADIUM SEATING FRI, MON-THURS 6:40; SAT-SUN 1:00, 6:40

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Regional council approves Peel's 10-year Housing and Homelessness Plan

Peel Regional council has approved a 10-year Housing and Homelessness Plan.

This is a community strategy aimed at improving the availability of safe, affordable, accessible and appropriate housing in Peel. With implementation beginning in 2014, the Plan will design an integrated housing system that adapts to changing needs at every stage or circumstance in a resident's life.

This community plan builds on the Ontario government's Long Term Affordable Housing Strategy, which aims to transform the housing system and put people first. Ontario's strategy means more flexible funding for local housing and homelessness programs so they can target the specific needs of the community. It also recognizes the importance of strong partnerships between all levels of government, the private sector, non-profit and co-operative housing providers, and the people who require housing support to build healthy, sustainable and inclusive neigh-

bourhoods.

The Plan will be forwarded to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to fulfill Peel's requirements of Ontario's Housing Services Act, 2011.

"Peel's Housing and Homelessness Plan is a wonderful step towards providing a strong foundation on which to secure employment, raise families and build strong communities," said Regional Chair Emil Kolb.

He added it ties in with council's recent endorsement of a resolution with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to advocate for a national housing strategy.

"In order to implement this Plan, our provincial and federal partners need to be at the table to ensure for its success, which includes making critical investments for housing in our communities," he said. "While council continues to advocate for Peel's needs, we also look to our community partners and residents to help spread the word and let our senior level govern-

ments know that affordable housing is a priority to you as a constituent."

The Plan is a first step in integrating the planning of housing and homelessness systems. Unlike previous plans and strategies, the Peel Housing and Homelessness Plan focuses on the entire housing continuum and sets a strategic vision for Peel by articulating the aspirational goal, everyone has a home and homelessness is eliminated.

Based on input from nearly 700 community members, the Plan identifies three key objectives around housing stock, individual and family capacity and an integrated system.

The Plan focusses on putting people first and providing stable housing solutions to individuals and families and the first step to improve their quality of life and achieve social and economic outcomes. The Plan reinforces the importance of partnership among orders of government, non-profit, co-operative and private sec-

tors to meet housing and support service needs. The Plan encourages innovation, cost saving measures and environmental sustainability.

"The community identified challenges and offered solutions to help meet the diverse housing needs that exist in Peel," said Peel's Commissioner of Human Services Janet Menard. "I would like to thank all our participants, our community reference group and the many agencies who collectively informed the plan. As we move forward with implementation, we will continue to need the community's help to execute the plan. By building on each other's strengths and assets, this will help inform investment priorities to meet housing needs across the continuum – from homelessness to rental to homeownership."

To download a copy of Peel's 10-Year Housing and Homelessness Plan, visit peelregion.ca/housing/housinghomelessness

Emerald ash borer numbers increasing in Credit River watershed

Emerald ash borers (EAB) are becoming increasingly present within the Credit River watershed.

Over the summer, Credit Valley Conservation (CVC), with funding from Peel Region, deployed 44 traps in the central and northern areas of the watershed to track the spread of EAB. CVC confirmed 17 sites with EAB.

Insect traps were set up at locations from northern Mississauga through to Or-

Schomberg Farm Tour will be March 8

Dress warm, wear boots, breath the fresh air and have fun on the farm on the 10th Annual Schomberg Agricultural Farm Tour.

It will be March 8 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

There will be a variety of farms on the tour, and the day promises to be educational, offering an understanding of the work and natural resources required to produce food. It will also be a chance to visit the animals and farmers, maybe even experience the "old ways" farms were run before automation.

Tickets are \$10 per vehicle and can be purchased the week prior to the Farm Tour at Schomberg Rona, Schomberg True Garden Supplies, Schomberg Pharma Choice, Richvale Saddlery, Tottenham Feed Service, Nobleton Feed Mill, Alliance Agric Turf Bolton and Nobleton Feed Mill. Tickets can also be obtained the day of the tour at Schomberg Community Hall, 325 Main St., Schomberg.

For more information visit www.schombergfair.com or call 905-859-0834.

Puppy classes offered

A free Puppy Program, aimed at dogs aged less than 12 weeks, is being offered by Dogs in the Park in Guelph.

Run by former Caledon resident John Alexander, the class is fun for the dogs and a great way to prevent puppies from growing up to have behaviour problems.

The people at Dogs in the Park believe the best way to inoculate puppies against future behaviour problems is to enrol them in a sound puppy class. The free Puppy Play Group gives them an chance to play, meet other puppies and a wide variety of people, and people get to learn to tell when play is becoming dangerous and what to do to keep their puppies safe.

In Every Puppy Deserves Puppy Class, puppies begin to learn about self control, keeping their paws to themselves and sitting to say "please," and families learn about toilet training and house manners.

For more information or to arrange a visit or an interview, contact Sue Alexander at sue@dogsinthepark.ca or 519-826-53315. Dogs in the Park is at 583 Massey Rd., in Guelph.

angeville. The majority of traps were installed on CVC-owned land or municipal park land, while eight were set up on private properties.

Many landowners with ash trees on their properties don't yet know about the extent of the EAB threat," said CVC Forester Zoltan Kovacs. "Learning about EAB is the first step in dealing with it. Landowners actually have a number of options available to them, from treating ash trees to replanting."

The monitoring program revealed EAB in a number of CVC-owned conservation areas, including Ken Whillans Resource Management Area, Silver Creek Conservation Area and Meadowvale Conservation Area. Based on current levels of infestation, CVC ecologists project that EAB will be present throughout much of the watershed by 2015.

EAB is an invasive insect, meaning it is not native to this region. It has devastating effects on native plants and animals. Originally from Asia, EAB is spreading throughout southern Ontario, including the Credit River watershed, killing North American ash trees.

EAB larvae (young) feed just beneath the bark of ash trees and disrupt the movement of water and nutrients. This pest continues to spread north through Ontario by flying from ash tree to ash tree. The rapid, large-scale spread of EAB, how-

ever, is facilitated by transporting firewood, nursery stock and logs. EAB has already killed millions of trees but early detection can slow its spread and damage.

CVC has worked with its partners to monitor the spread of EAB throughout the Credit River watershed. By 2009, EAB was detected in the urban southern areas of the watershed, including Mississauga, Brampton and Oakville. During the summer, CVC detected the beetle's presence in the middle and northern portions of the watershed.

Due to the large presence of EAB, CVC has discontinued large scale monitoring and is now shifting its focus to EAB management activities. CVC is developing specific management plans for each of its properties. Each plan will take into consideration the property's recreational usage, ecological value, ash tree density and opportunities for ash tree preservation. CVC's goal is to mitigate the effects of EAB on its properties while maintaining visitor safety and preserving the important ecological function of these

natural areas as much as possible.

Residents play a significant role in helping control EAB by not moving firewood and monitoring ash trees for evidence of EAB activity.

For more information on how to identify the signs and symptoms of EAB, visit CVC's website at www.creditvalleyca.ca/eab



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Editorial

A year for one or two elections

There's no doubt at all that this new year of 2014 will bring with it a chance for all Ontario residents to cast ballots.

Under Ontario law, municipal elections will take place in all cities, towns, villages and townships Oct. 27, and those elected to municipal councils and school boards will serve four-year terms, the next elections being in October 2018.

Ontario law also calls for terms of no more than four years for provincial politicians. Since the last provincial election was in 2011, that means an election would normally take place in October 2015.

However, since the 2011 election produced a minority Liberal government, an election could take place at any point in the "normal" four years, and there's widespread speculation that we'll be going to the polls this spring, roughly 18 months before the fourth anniversary.

Of course, that's far from a certainty, and the speculation is based on an assumption that Premier Kathleen Wynne's "new" government will be defeated because its 2014 budget is expected to call for new taxes to finance roughly \$2 billion annually needed to finance the Big Move, Metrolinx's plan to battle gridlock by building new public transit facilities for the Greater Toronto and Hamilton areas.

At present, there's no doubt whatsoever that the budget measure will be opposed by the official Progressive Conservative opposition, with leader Tim Hudak contending that the \$2 billion can be raised annually without any tax increases by somehow finding it in "gravy" or inefficiencies and at the same time eliminating the current annual budgetary deficits of roughly \$10 billion.

However, it's not so likely that the budget will be actively opposed by the New Democrats, if only because the Liberals would raise part of the \$2 billion from corporate taxes, the source recommended by NDP leader Andrea Horwath.

One thing not yet made clear is whether the Liberals' scheme would see all Ontarians face higher taxes on vehicular fuels or only those residents deemed to benefit from the Big Move.

Our suspicion is that unless polling shows a massive move in public opinion, none of the three parties at Queen's Park would benefit much from an early vote.

Currently, the Liberals and Conservatives each have the support of roughly one in three voters and the NDP one in four, and even if the Tories won enough seats to form a minority government they would not likely survive long against two parties with remarkably similar policies.

That being the case, none of the three party leaders is likely to see much benefit from an early election, and it will look increasingly likely that the status quo will be maintained until October 2015.

If that's the case, 2014 will see only elections at the municipal level, when Ontarians will elect about 2,800 council members and 700 school trustees.

New for 2014 are changes to voter identification requirements. This time, all voters will be required to show identification in order to vote. If your name is on the voters' list, you will be required to show one piece of identification that has your name and address on it in order to receive a ballot. (The requirement to show identification that has your signature on it has been removed.)

In all likelihood, all Ontarians will be at least passingly interested in the Toronto elections, where controversial Mayor Rob Ford vows to seek another term in office.

Our Readers Write

Shelter has pets looking for good homes

For those who don't know, Caledon has its very own animal shelter, located at 12889 Coleraine Dr. (just south of Healey Road) in Bolton.

The shelter is home to many beautiful pets, both cats and dogs, just begging to be taken home — for good.

Animals who end up at our local shelter are there for different reasons. Sometimes they are surrendered by the family of an owner who may have passed away and there is no one else who can take care of them. Others are there because they have been found roaming the streets (imagine what that must be like, especially at this time of year).

They are all waiting, hoping that someone (you) will come in and offer them the love and security of your family home. They offer love and companionship in return.

I have listened to so many adoption stories from Caledon residents who have adopted from the Caledon Animal Shelter and hear what a positive impact it has had on their family life, and how happy they are made the decision to adopt from our shelter.

If you are considering adding a pet to your family, please browse pets currently available online at www.Petfinder.com, and of course drop in and see these adorable cats and dogs in person (opening hours are available on the shelter phone line at 905-857-5208).

By adopting your pet from our shelter, you are giving that cat or dog another chance to have the life that they are missing and you can feel great for doing so.

Margie Mols,
Volunteer,
Caledon Animal Shelter

It happened today

The debate goes on over how to deal with people who murder innocent children, but another issue has to be how to make it up to people who have been wrongly convicted.

There are lots of cases in Canadian history of people being wrongly convicted of terrible crimes, and an addition to that list was Guy Paul Morin.

Suspected in the 1984 murder of his neighbour Christine Jessop, Morin was acquitted in his first trial in February 1986. But there was a second trial in July 1992, and that resulted in his conviction.

A forensic DNA test eventually eliminated Morin as the murderer. The appeal of his murder conviction was allowed and the conviction was set aside this day, Jan. 23, 1995.

Results from last week's poll:

Sat., January 11 was the anniversary of the birth of Sir John A. Macdonald, Canada's first prime minister.

Next year's birthday will be his 200th. Should that be a national holiday?

a) Yes  **75%**

b) No  **25%**

The results of this poll are in no way considered to be valid or infallible.

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Who's going to win the Super Bowl Feb. 2?

a) Denver Broncos

b) Seattle Seahawks

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I thought it would happen

There are some people in this world who will start a sentence with the words "I hate to say I told you so."

I hope there are few dumb enough to believe such statements, because they are seldom true.

They are normally used to open a sentence in which the speaker will go to some lengths to stress why he or she is delighted to say, "I told you so."

I'm not like that. When I have the urge to say, "I told you so" to someone, it's usually with a great deal of satisfaction.

I've been feeling that a lot over the last week or so with the release of a report that states that municipal amalgamation has not been the howling success that we were told it would be.

It's a topic that's always been rather close to my heart. I spent a whole year of my working life writing about its advent. And a couple of years after it came about, I was holding it up as an example of what needs to be fixed when it comes to municipal government. In a nutshell, I believe getting the Provincial government to keep its big proverbial snout out of municipal democracy would be a giant step in the right direction.

Alas, that's not likely to happen.

The Toronto Star did a story about the report from Timothy Cobban, a political science professor at Western University. The upshot of it all is acknowledgement that amalgamation reduced the number of municipalities, although people will probably debate whether that's a good or bad thing forever. But in economic terms, few are the people who are financially ahead in the deal. It looks like municipal employees are among those few people, because the number of staffers has increased.

When it comes to municipal amalgamation, I am most familiar with the creation of what is commonly called the "megacity," which is also currently also known as Toronto.

I was working there in the late 1990s, concentrating most of my efforts in what in those days was Canada's only borough, East York, while also spending time in parts of what used to be the City of Toronto component in the Metro scheme of things. There was a lot of hard work in those days, but there was an eclectic value to being a community newspaper editor in such an urban setting. I also got to know some interesting people, such as Metro councillors (at the time) like David Miller and the late Jack Layton, not to mention an aspiring politician named Kathleen Wynne (more about her later).

It was late in 1996 that the Progressive Conservative government of Premier Mike Harris dropped not-so-subtle hints that they were thinking of merging the six municipalities in Metro into one city. This was pretty much out of the blue.

Since the early days of the Common Sense Revolution (while Bob Rae was still Premier), the avid conservative who was myself was a big supporter of what Harris was trying to sell the voters. Owing to the nature of my job, I was obliged to temper enthusiasm I got in print. The 1995 election was in the offing, and I was still the new editor on the block.

As that election campaign progressed, I found it was a lot better at my job than I had thought. My boss was getting irate phone calls from people demanding I be fired for my obviously anti-Tory bias. The election wasn't long in the history books before that same boss told me she was getting irate calls demanding I be fired for my obviously pro-Tory bias (I can't remember, but I hope I had the good sense to ask for a raise when she told me that).

There was much that I admired about the Harris government in those days. The main things I opposed were his plans to scrap photo radar (an appeal to a segment of the electorate I had little admiration for), cutting the number of seats in the legislature at Queen's Park (cosmetic) and eliminating the Metro level of government (silly).

I know there are a lot of people who never had any use for Harris, and other people like me who lost respect for him.

But I defy anyone to name an elected official who kept as many promises as he did; even the bad ones.

I didn't like his idea of scrapping Metro, but when he tossed that in favour of the megacity, I really started losing respect for Harris.

Part of my problem was with the argument that it would cut the number of municipal office holders, thus saving the taxpayers money. I get livid when I hear people tell me that cutting my political representation is going to

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ately narrow their search. In addition, visitors can sign up for job alerts, which is a free e-mail service that will notify subscribers of new job postings twice a day.

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General agreement among mayors that municipalities need help

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She said her ministry had already received 27 resolutions from municipalities requesting financial aid in light of the storm.

"My ministry is already on the ground in most municipalities," she remarked, adding she told the mayors she has already written to the feds, asking them to be part of the effort.

Jeffrey said part of her goal in attending the meeting was to listen to the concerns, as well as helping the mayors understand the programs that are available. She pointed out they likely weren't very familiar with the details.

She was unable to offer a timeline for the assistance, or make any commitments on how much would be coming, without knowing what the actual numbers will be. She did say the mayors are anxious to move forward on this, and she hopes to have hard numbers in the next couple of weeks, with decisions in the next couple of months.

"I think we're all trying to figure out what those costs were collectively," she remarked.

Jeffrey stressed she was aware of the damage caused by the storm, and of the

mayors' desire to get things started.

"I heard that loud and clear," she said.

"My goal is to fast track it."

The motion also stated several municipalities have applied for assistance through the Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program (ODRAP), but concerns were expressed that ODRAP doesn't adequately recognize the full costs of extreme weather events.

Mississauga Mayor Hazel McCallion was the spokesperson for her colleagues following Friday's meeting. She pointed out there was considerable flood damage in the area in July, but little in the way of help from the Province. Concern was expressed by the mayors that could happen again.

"We all agree that property tax cannot bear that burden," she remarked.

She also agreed it was a very productive meeting with Jeffrey. "I'm really excited about it," she declared.

McCallion seemed confident that there will be help from the Province.

"She (Jeffrey) will carry that message back to the Premier," she commented, adding she understood Premier Kathleen Wynne was anxiously waiting for the result of the meeting.

McCallion also said Jeffrey would not

have been aware of the March 1 deadline for a response, but she stressed the need to set some date.

"You can rest assured we'll be following up on March 1 if there's no answer," she added.

The mayors were asked to indicate, by show of hands, whether they would have preferred Wynne to have been at the meeting, and only Toronto's Rob Ford and Brampton's Susan Fennell raised their hands.

"I think this is more important than a byelection right now," Ford commented.

McCallion said that wouldn't have complied with protocol, saying it's important to work up and that she was confident Jeffrey would report everything to Wynne.

"You've got to do your homework if

you're going after something," she said, adding that's what the mayors have done. "We're going forward with a unified, coordinated approach."

Morrison agreed that Jeffrey was the one to have the meeting with, pointing out it was important to go through the proper process.

"She's going to go back to the Premier," Morrison added.

"She said that she heard all of us loudly and clearly," Morrison added. "I felt okay. We'll see."

McCallion was also asked if this incident had prompted her to change her mind about leaving politics at the end of the year.

"I came in with a derailment and I'm going out with an ice storm," she declared.



Municipal Affairs and Housing Minister Linda Jeffrey said she heard the mayors "loud and clear" Friday.

Photo by Bill Rea

Board re-acclaims Mario Pascucci as chair and elects Sharon Hobin as vice-chair

Incumbent Mario Pascucci was re-acclaimed as chair of the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board at the board's annual organizational meeting Dec. 3.

During his 30 years as a trustee, Pascucci, who represents Mississauga Wards 1 and 3, has served in various leadership capacities, including three previous terms as chair of the board. He has also served as chair of the board's Administration and Finance Committee, Audit Committee and Faith and Program Committee.

Hobin, trustee for Mississauga Wards 2 and 8, was elected vice-chair, a position she held on two previous occasions. Hobin has also chaired the board's Faith and Program Committee, and Administration and Finance Committee, a committee on which she also served for two years as vice-chair. She has sat on the board's Challenged Materials Committee, Discipline Committee, Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) and the SAL (Supervised Alternative Learning) Committee.

"I am honoured to represent my fellow trustees as chair and promise to work hard in the days and months ahead, as we enter the final year of our four-year mandate," Pascucci said. "I have been blessed to work with such a cohesive board and with so many dedicated and committed Catholic leaders. Dufferin-Peel is widely recognized as a leader in Catholic education across this province. We are a successful, thriving

and vibrant board where students are achieving at high levels, schools are clean, safe and welcoming and students are experiencing the Christ-centered holistic education that parents/guardians expect."

"I am proud to be part of an outstanding board of trustees; a board that works tirelessly, in collaboration with staff, to help ensure that, here at Dufferin-Peel, extraordinary lives do indeed start with a great Catholic education," he added.

The meeting opened with the annual address to the board by Director of Education John Kostoff, who recognized and thanked system partners, including employee groups, trustees, staff at all levels and clergy for their commitment and dedication to Catholic education. Kostoff outlined a successful year, recounting a list of achievements and accomplishments focusing on advances in technology for learning and teaching, ongoing and upward trending levels of student achievement and engagement, and a sustained focus on the Catholic nature of Dufferin-Peel schools.

"We have been successful, but we must not rest on our laurels," Kostoff observed. "Catholic education in Dufferin-Peel continues to thrive because so many believe strongly in the distinctive brand of values and morals-based education that our Catholic system provides."

The meeting was preceded by a Eucharistic celebration held in the Catholic Education Centre chapel, celebrated by Auxiliary Bishop John Boissonneau.



NATIONAL AFFAIRS

By Claire Hoy

If Martin Luther King were alive, he would have turned 85 on Monday.

While the famous civil rights activist is dead, as we all know, his ideas and the results of his extraordinary life certainly live on. And always will.

Unlike many who fancy themselves as human rights experts – particularly those who sit on so-called human rights commissions in this country – King was not one of those whose mind was so twisted that he couldn't think straight about the subject.

Among his many famous quotes, King once said, "We may have all come on different ships, but we're in the same boat now."

Rather than looking at the issue as "us" versus "them," as human rights bureaucrats are programmed to do, King's formula – in the face of real human rights violations, as opposed to faux-rights violations that dominate the Canadian human rights industry – was, quite simply, equal treatment works regardless of where you come from or who you are.

I'm thinking of this in the light of the absurd human "rights" kerfuffle that erupted recently at York University when a male online sociology student asked Professor J. Paul Grayson if he could skip a group assignment so he wouldn't be forced to interact with women, something he claimed would violate his religious beliefs.

Grayson, to his great credit, said no. He would not allow a request which violated the equal treatment between the male and female students in his course.

The unnamed student accepted this, writing to the professor that, "I cannot expect that everything will perfectly suit what I would consider an ideal situation. I will respect the final decision." He then participated in the group assignment, along with the other women and men in the class.

And that, dear hearts, should have been that. But to think to that is to underestimate the depth of muddle-headedness among human rights technocrats.

When Grayson notified York's administration of the student's request, and of his refusal, Martin Singer, York's dean of arts – backed by the university administration – ordered Grayson to allow the student to participate sans women on the spurious grounds that, essentially, if the women didn't know their male colleague was discriminating against them, then it wouldn't really be discriminatory. Huh?

Grayson, again, refused. One assumes the noble professor has tenure or else he'd be putting his own job on the line for doing the right thing against the bizarre logic of those who seem prepared to twist themselves into knots so that they can appear to be unfailing champions of human rights.

"I was obliged to conclude that the student's request had to be accommodated," said Singer. "I wish I had had another choice."

He did. To quote former prime minister Brian Mulroney in his famous television debate rebuke of then Liberal prime minister John Turner's, "You could have said 'no sir.' You could have said 'no.'"

But he didn't, therefore bringing widespread criticism on his university and apparently sparking numerous e-mails from people saying they might hesitate to send their daughters to York University if they are going to be subjected to such shabby treatment.

The issue gets even more ridiculous when you consider the fact that, because of absolute privacy laws governing the university, they can't even ask what religion the complaining student actually subscribes to and if, in fact, it does bar men from participating in a study group with women.

Grayson did the best he could, contacting a Muslim scholar and Orthodox Jewish leaders to see if their religion would prohibit such gender interaction. They wouldn't.

That's the problem with hard and fast rules which, while well-intentioned, often don't work. There is no reason to ask somebody their religion when they are applying to be a student at York. But when somebody makes a specific "human rights" complaint, supposedly based on their religion, then surely seeking details on their religion is relevant in trying to decide whether the complaint is valid or simply based on a complainant's personal bias.

It's just common sense. But, alas, in the world of human rights bureaucracies, common sense rarely need apply. The first instinct is to accept the complaint – any complaint – as valid, and proceed from there. Oh sure, complaints receive cursory checks before moving up the chain, but a) the investigators are unflinchingly loyal to a particular human rights ideology, and b) often, the same people who investigate also ultimately sit in judgment.

Unlike law courts, where accused persons can at the very least make their case and the accuser is forced to prove the facts, the accused in human rights case are normally doomed from the outset.

If you're wondering why, look no further than the mindset displayed by York's administration in this case.



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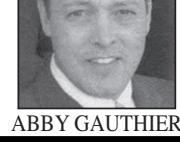
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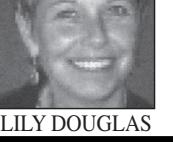
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Gabe's Country Bake Shoppe — and Hot Table in Caledon East

By Constance Scrafield

When the Caledon East Bakery was closed for three weeks in late 2012 for renovations, it seemed to the anguished of us much longer.

Every drive by, while the shutdown was in effect, brought the coffee deprived — not to mention the absence of beautiful goodies — nearly to tears. What joy there was, when the newly named Gabe's Country Bake Shoppe was finally opened. As soon as one dashed into the shiny new interior, there was a greatly expanded menu, groceries, goodies and a fresh, roomy layout.

The eating space has neat little round tables and chairs, as well as a counter with stools, just right for a bit of lunch or a hot drink and a treat. All the food is made onsite, with attention to the quality, buying locally as much as possible.

In the hot trays is a variety, changed daily, of entrées and snacks, with side orders of rapini, grilled vegetables, broccoli — whatever suits the chef. Veal and chicken are often on the menu, stuffed pork tenderloin was there one day; other days, there might be ribs.

There are always vegetarian options, not so much as a concession to the non-meat eaters but as the normal choice of a Mediterranean diet. Pasta and tomatoes are basics, but the stuffed eggplant is filled with a rice base.

There is homemade pizza and focaccia and other pastry filled with savories — spinach and cheese or tomato and ham.

On to the sweet delicacies: tiny chocolate mousses, or vanilla; cupcakes with towering icings; all sorts of little pastries,

danishes and croissants for the mornings. And bread pudding.

The place is still owned by the Giraldi family that has owned the store since 2001. A sit-down and chat with Gabe Giraldi himself, son of the family, explained the reasons for the overhaul and life since then.

At age 25, in 2001, Giraldi had finished studying marketing and finance at college. He discovered quite quickly that marketing was not his talent, but numbers were. So he worked together with his parents and brother-in-law to open the bakery and cafe in Caledon East by the gas station at Airport Road and Old Church Road.

His parents had been in the baking and food business for years and his brother-in-law was a "brilliant chef" who had just come over from Italy. Giraldi did the numbers to make the business plan.

"We could see there was a need for something and there were a lot of Italians living in the area," he said of their initial intent to provide the populace with good food.

However, over the years, the village has changed.

"As the town is developing, we wanted to revamp and expand," he said. "We did a 180."

Now open seven days a week rather than six, as formally, Giraldi also has much more to offer customers. The extended hours and increased stock have meant an increase in staff and for this, the family looked to Robert F. Hall Catholic Secondary School.

"They're fantastic," he said. "We try to keep the atmosphere fun, both for the staff

and the customers. I tell them it's very important to at least acknowledge the next person, even if they're busy with someone else. It makes people relax and feel more patient than being ignored."

The young people who work there do seem to enjoy their employment. Giraldi is adamant about paying them fairly.

"They get tips," he commented, "which we never touch. Some places pay less because of tips but we don't do that. We also have a few seniors who work here. There is very little turnover. I have people who have worked here for seven or eight years."

Giraldi and his family are aware of the changing dynamics in the region and vary the menu to attract a wide range of customers.

"We have actually doubled our hot table and pastry. Sometimes, we make couscous or stir fry" he said. "But we make it here so it is all clean label — no additives, all fresh. We do takeout — it's really as though people cooked the meal themselves because it is clean label. There is a selection of frozen meals.

That's very convenient if the parents are away and the kids can have something good to eat.

"In the spring, we have salads with pasta, rice or potato — the menu is constantly changing."

"We are baking our own bread now," he added. "There's a nice cinnamon loaf."

There are more groceries than before. Giraldi said he is always on the lookout for natural products — a prosciutto from Italy with no additives. He is working on organics as well. But people need to be prepared to pay more for them.

Of his ambitions, he said, "I'm happy with this. We are rebuilding our clientele and the store is a different entity. The hours are really long and this industry could take you over if you allow it. As time goes on, you get to manage your time. It's a learning curve — who knew how to make bread pudding?"

He offered a sample of the bread pudding when he learned how much my husband enjoys it. When asked if it should be warmed up or should one just dig in.

He smiled: "Just dig in."



Gabe Giraldi stands behind the counter at his Country Bake Shoppe in Caledon East, in front of a fine array of pastries.

Photo by Constance Scrafield

Developmental services body holding hearings

The Select Committee on Developmental Services concluded a week of public hearings across Ontario, and Dufferin — Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones called them an essential part of the Select Committee's work.

"Hosting public hearings in communities across Ontario is important because it increases people's chances of appearing before the committee," commented Jones, who sits on the committee. "People and families who have direct experience in the developmental services sector must have an opportunity to come before the committee and present."

"I have heard from many families in Dufferin-Caledon who are frustrated with the difficulty in accessing services that are provided by different ministries," said Jones. "After hearing presentations from individuals and organizations in different communities, it became clear to me that families in Dufferin-Caledon are not alone. Individuals and families across the

province are facing similar issues."

A Select Committee of the Ontario Legislature has a much broader mandate and scope than Standing Committees of the Legislature. This is one of the reasons establishing a Select Committee on Developmental Services was important. In order to conduct a comprehensive review of developmental services in Ontario fully, the committee needed to be able to review multiple ministries and programs.

The committee has now held hearings in London, Thunder Bay, Moose Factory, Ottawa and Toronto. Public hearings are scheduled to continue this week in Toronto.

"In Ontario there are approximately 100,000 to 200,000 Ontarians living with an intellectual disability or who are dually diagnosed," Jones observed. "These hearings have demonstrated that now more than ever we need a comprehensive, long-term plan for the developmental services sector in Ontario."

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SPORTS

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Caledon's Jake Holden will snowboard at Sochi Olympics

After years of tireless commitment to his dream of going to the Olympics, Belfontaine native Jake Holden is headed to the Winter Games on the men's snowboard cross team.

Joining Holden will be Chris Robanske, Kevin Hill and Rob Fagan.

Holden is a long-time member of the C3 High Performance Team and his parents (Rene and Waldo) are over the top that

their son's hard work has paid off on making the team.

"Jake is just half way there," commented C3 head coach Barrie Shepley. "He has made the team. Now it's time to rock the best performance he is capable of in Sochi in three weeks."

Holden grew up in Caledon, where he competed in judo for 11 years before switching full-time to snowboarding. He

started dreaming about the Olympics when his former judo coach talked to him about a major tournament called the Junior Olympics. At the time, Holden was crowned the Canadian Junior National champion in Judo. When the idea of racing against his friends down the same track, over obstacles and features, came to his mind, he committed to the sport and his rise in the snowboardcross world started. In 2009, he received the Neil Daffern Award, given to the top snowboard prospects who show an outstanding level of commitment and competency in the sport.

Holden made the Canadian National Snowboard Team in 2010.

Kinetico Canada has been a huge supporter of Holden over his development

years and should be recognized for their vision of helping him get to Sochi.

"I can't say enough great things about Phillip, Ed, Kevin and the entire Kinetico Team," Shepley said. "While Jake had the raw tools, we have seen far too many athletes miss making major games simply due to finances. Through the combined help of Kinetico and C3's Judy Riseborough, Jake has been able to focus on his dream of going to the Winter Olympics."

One has to get started on the snow some place, and Caledon Ski Club has been a great home for Holden's career.

He will be the second Caledon resident in four years to go to the Olympic Games, as Mayfield's Britney Webster made the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Cross Country Ski Team.

"Jake making the Olympic team will only motivate his C3 summer triathlon teammates that much more," Shepley remarked. "When you see a young man from your area have a dream, do the hard work, then make it to the top, you realize that you can do it as well."

In the off-season, Holden works as landscaper and stonemason at the family business, where he owns and operates a division of the company called Stoney Links.

Those who have been to the C3 Fund Raising Golf Tournament and the yearly Kids of Steel Race will have seen the humble (soon to be Olympian) helping out in any way he can.

"I know that all 50,000 residents of Caledon and Olympic fans all over Canada will be proud as can be when Jake is in Sochi in two-plus weeks, realizing a dream that many of his Caledon friends, family and C3 supporters have wanted for him," declared Shepley.

Golden Hawks drop to fifth place

By Brian Lockhart

A loss in Schomberg last Thursday (Jan. 16) dropped the Caledon Golden Hawks to the number five spot in the Georgian Mid Ontario Hockey League standings.

The Hawks were bumped down a spot by the Stayner Siskins, who have gained a few points by winning their last five games, and took over fourth place by a single point.

The road game in Schomberg turned into a battle for the third period after the Cougars took a 2-1 lead in the first and neither team scored in the second frame.

Steve Zeppieri scored the first-period Caledon goal.

He notched his second of the game at 4:18 into the third period to make it a 2-2 game.

It fell apart for the Hawks when the Cougars scored three unanswered goals to end the game 5-2.

"We tried to come back — we did the best we could," Zeppieri commented after the game.

"There wasn't much energy on the ice for both teams," he said of the scoreless second period. "It was just back and forth, kind of boring. We wanted to come up and win, but not today."

Schomberg's win placed the Cougars in second place, but only for a couple of days. The Alliston Hornets won their home game Sunday and moved back into second.

The return to the ice Sunday (Jan. 19) turned out better for the Hawks, as they dispatched the Midland Flyers 6-2 at

Caledon East arena.

The Hawks opened the scoring in the first period on a goal from Kyle Lee.

Zeppieri notched the second early in the second period, followed by another marker from Patrick Savella on a powerplay.

The Flyers battled back, scoring two in the second to make it a 3-2 game going into the final 20 minutes.

This time the Hawks took control of the third period, scoring three to end the game.

Hawk goals came from Savella on a powerplay, Nicholas McNutt and another powerplay goal from Cody Forgone with less than two minutes remaining in the game.

With two weeks remaining on the GMOHL schedule, the Penetang Kings have already wrapped up the League title. With 62 points and a 29-9 record, no one else can catch them before the regular season ends.

The Alliston Hornets are in second with 53 points, followed by the Cougars with 53 points, and the Stayner with 48 points so far.

The Hawks are in fifth place with 47 points and a 21-16 record.

The Golden Hawks will have two road games this week beginning with a Friday night match in Penetang. Sunday, they travel to Fergus to take on the Devils.

The Hawks will return to Caledon East for their final home game of the regular season Feb. 1, when they will host the Alliston Hornets.

Game time is 8:10 p.m.



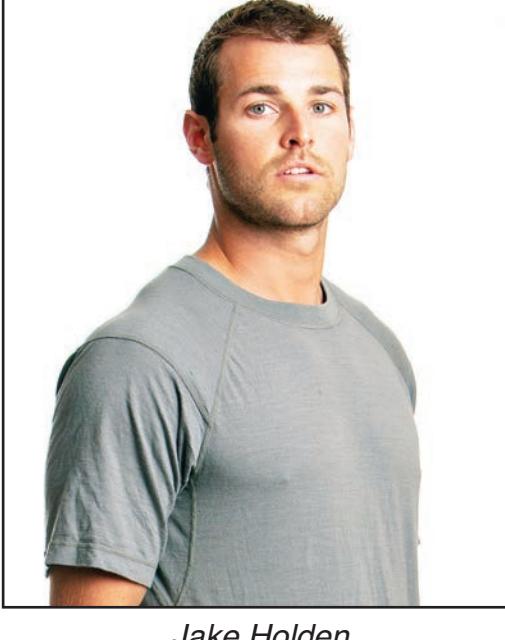
Caledon Golden Hawks' forward Steve Zeppieri charges for the puck in front of the Schomberg Cougars' goal during last Thursday night's GMOHL game in Schomberg. The Hawks lost 5-2, but won their next game at home against Midland Sunday.

Photo by Brian Lockhart

Caledon Central Pool closed indefinitely

The Town has announced that Caledon Central Pool on Kennedy Road and Charleston Sideroad has been closed indefinitely.

The Town announced late Friday afternoon it is taking the precautionary move based on the discovery of mould and on the recommendations of the environmental inspection company contracted by the municipality. While the mould discovered does not mandate that the pool must be



Jake Holden

SUBWAY

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Name: CONNER MORRO
School: MAYFIELD SECONDARY SCHOOL



Name: SARAH POWER
School: ROBERT F. HALL CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL



Name: MICHAEL KHATIB
School: ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL



Name: FELIX PAZER
School: HUMBERVIEW SECONDARY SCHOOL

This Grade 11 student has been making his mark playing right wing for the varsity boys' hockey team. He's also played shortstop for the school's baseball team. Away from school, he plays baseball for the Ontario Blue Jays out of Mississauga. The 16-year-old lives in Cheltenham with his parents Jeannette and Mike Morro.

This 16-year-old has been contributing her talents as a forward on the girls' varsity hockey team. Away from school, she plays AA hockey in the Vaughan Flames organization, and will be on Team Canada for roller hockey championships in France. The Grade 11 student lives in Caledon East with her parents Lidia and Joe Power.

This Grade 12 student is a point guard and shooting guard on the senior boys' basketball team, which has been showing improvement.

"We're starting to get it together now," he said.

Away from school, he plays rep basketball in the Caledon Cougars' organization, and he used to play soccer in the community.

The 17-year-old lives in Bolton with his parents Vicki and Bill Khatib.

This 18-year-old has been doing well as a novice wrestler. He competes in the 77-kilogram class, and he picked up gold at his second tournament recently at Turner Fenton Secondary School in Brampton. The Grade 12 student lives in Caledon East with his parents Daniel and Lydia Pazer.

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Jiffy Lube escapes cellar in last week's men's hockey league action

Jiffy Lube Oilers finally broke out of last place in the Caledon Senior Hockey League last Monday.

The Oilers roared back from a three-goal deficit in the third period to edge Bolton Chiropractic Centre 7-6. The win moved Jiffy Lube into fifth place, one point ahead of the Chiropractors.

In the other games at Don Sheardown Memorial Arena, Rutherford Global Logistics doubled George's Arena Sports 4-2 and Baffo's Pizza blasted Fines Ford Lincoln 9-4.

Jiffy Lube 7, BCC 6

Jim Rogers and Bill Sztorc were the offensive leaders for Jiffy Lube with four points each, while Ron Sampson, Brian Fetterly and Chris Spilar all chipped in three points. Rogers had two goals and two assists, including the winner with 52 seconds left to play, while Sztorc notched a goal and three assists. Spilar scored two goals and set up one, with Fetterly hitting the twine once and adding two assists.

Luch Pinarello scored the other Jiffy Lube goal with Joe Palumbo getting two

assists.

Nick Taccogna and Mike Shore both scored two goals for Bolton Chiropractic while Taccogna also had an assist. Mike Gasparini and Greg Frangakis had the other BCC goals. Frangakis added an assist, with Gary Stewart, Ian Kerr and Scott Sinclair each notching two assists.

Rutherford 4, George's 2

Dan Labine was the top point-getter for Rutherford with three assists while Jim Horan, Al Stewart, Garth Young and Jim Dunbar handled the scoring. Young also had an assist along with Ted Callighen, Frank McKay and Paul Speck.

Bill Davis netted a goal and an assist for George's while Jack Gibson had the other goal. Murray Hurst and John Van Wagner both had single assists.

Baffo's 9, Fines Ford 4

Gary Faultless lived up to his name, notching six assists to lead Baffo's, while James Heenan was right behind him with two goals and three assists.

Bob McHardy and Rick Agar also had big nights, with McHardy striking for three goals and an assist while Agar had a goal and three assists. Mark Perrin scored two goals and added an assist while Rich Petrie also scored. Scott Woodcock set up two goals while single assists went to Bill Frolick and Mike Oliver.

Bill Jenner, Jim Moyer, Bruno Fracassi and Howard Wight scored for Fines. Moyer also had an assist, as did Bernie Tisdale, Bob Smith, Paul Burrell, Mike Gallop and Peter Coghill.

Jan. 6

The race for first place tightened up even more in the Caledon Senior Hockey League the previous Monday (Jan. 6).

Fines Ford and Rutherford emerged in a tie on top of the standings, with George's two points behind in third place. Fines Ford lost the chance to grab top spot by themselves when they lost 6-2 to George's while Rutherford was held to a 5-5 tie by Bolton Chiropractic. In the other game, Baffo's downed Jiffy Lube 6-3.

George's 6, Fines Ford 2

Brett Smith led the way for George's with three goals and an assist.

George Armstrong notched two goals while Mark Milton also scored. Bill Doherty had three assists while Clark Judge earned two. Davis, Gibson and Greg Collins each had one assist.

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Jim Moyer scored two goals for Fines. The assists went to Steve Sanderson, Burrell, Fracassi and Gary Hoxey.

Baffo's 6, Jiffy Lube 3

McHardy was a force for Baffo's with two goals and two assists.

Heenan and Perrin both had a goal and an assist, Brian Samuel and Agar each scored once. Frolick had two assists and Larry Pevato had one.

All of the Jiffy Lube goals came from the defencemen, with Pinarello notching two and Joe Guaragna getting one. Sztorc had two assists while Rogers, Dave Shoalts and Maurizio Giorgio each had one.

BCC 5, Rutherford 5

Team rep Kerr led Bolton Chiropractic with two goals while Taccogna added a goal and two assists.

Dan Tasson had a goal and an assist while Robert Masutti notched a goal. Frangakis had three assists, Gary Stewart clicked for two and Gasparini had one.

Speck scored twice for Rutherford with Young, Horan and Callighen each producing a goal and an assist. Al Stewart set up two goals and Bill Moyer was there for one.

Dec. 30

The previous Monday (Dec. 30) had the see-saw battle for first place swing Fines Ford's way, as they swamped Bolton Chiropractic 9-0.

That win plus Jiffy Lube's 7-5 upset of Rutherford knocked the latter team down to second place. In the other game, Baffo's edged George's 2-1.

Fines Ford 9, BCC 0

Nick Rotundo and Fracassi led the way for Fines Ford, as they clocked five points each.

Rotundo had three goals and two assists, while Fracassi contributed a goal and four assists from the back end.

Tisdale and Coghill each had four points for the winners, with Tisdale notching a goal and three assists while Coghill had four helpers. Gallop had a goal and two assists with Bob Smith and Pevato scoring single goals. Sanderson and Jenner both had two assists. Fines goaltender Roy Selinger racked up the shutout.

Jiffy Lube 7, Rutherford 5

It was quite a night for Frangakis, as he scored four goals and added two assists to lead the Jiffy Lube offence.

Rogers was right behind him with two goals and two assists while Spilar had the other goal. Fetterly clicked for three assists while Guaragna had two. Single assists went to Danny Avram and Dominic Ierullo.

Labine led Rutherford with a goal and two assists while Dunbar, Bill Moyer and Tony Calabro each had a goal and an assist. Al Stewart scored once with Young, Horan, Dave Armstrong and Callighen getting one assist each.

Baffo's 2, George's 1

Baffo's rode first-period goals from Tony Dinis and Heenan to victory with Dave Smith, John Castellucci, McHardy and Perrin getting single assists.

Gibson scored the George's goal with help from Davis and Collins.



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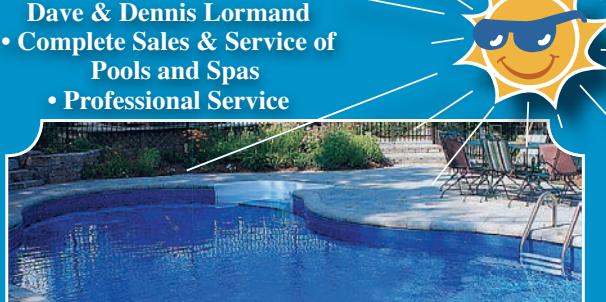
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Peacefully at Extenda Care, Brampton on Tuesday, January 21, 2014 in her 93rd year; predeceased by her husband Sid (1999) and her daughter Carol (1992); loving mother of Leslie Hase, Lynn Terry (Paul), Clarke (Heather Ferguson) and Paul (Cathy); cherished grandmother of Kimberley, Carl, Kevin, Julie, Nicole, Jessica, Zachary, Aaron, Damon and Jonathan; dear great-grandmother of the late Mericia and her husband Donald Dalton.

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Funeral Service will be held at the Dods & McNair Funeral Home & Chapel, 21 First St., Orangeville (519.941.1392) on Friday, January 24th, 2014 at 2:30 p.m. Family will receive friends one hour prior to service time. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Heart & Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

A tree will be planted in memory of Carmen in the Dods & McNair Memorial Forest at the Island Lake Conservation Area, Orangeville. A dedication service will be held on Sunday, September 14th, 2014 at 2:30 p.m. (Condolences may be offered to the family at www.dodsandmcnair.com)

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Family will receive friends at Dods & McNair Funeral Home & Chapel, 21 First St., Orangeville on Thursday, January 23rd, 2014 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. & 7:00-9:00 p.m. Funeral Service will be held in the Chapel on Friday, January 24th, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. Interment at Streetsville Cemetery. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the charity of your choice would be appreciated.

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As always, Love Joan

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THE FAMILY of Marjorie Grebski would like to thank all the friends, colleagues and former students that came out to pay their respects to Marge and celebrate her life. A special thanks goes out to Bethel Hospice who cared for Marge in her final days, Father Robert Glynn and The Egan Funeral Home. The warmth and professionalism the family experienced there was unparalleled.

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Minor peewee Hawks capture second playoff win against Brampton

By Brian Lockhart

The Caledon Hawks minor peewee A team have taken another step in a positive direction by winning their first two games in the Ontario Minor Hockey Association play-downs.

The squad won their first game against Owen Sound.

Sunday, they returned to home ice at Caledon East to host Brampton and left with a 5-2 win over the visitors.

The Hawks took an early lead and were up 5-1 at the end of the second period.

Brampton notched one more late in the game, but it was too late for them to get

back into the game and the Hawks celebrated their second win of the play-downs.

"We worked really hard and we never gave up," said Hawks forward and team captain Luca Lera.

Luca said the team's strengths in Sunday's game were "forechecking and defense."

On offence, he said the squad plays off each other's strengths.

"We dump it in, and we don't be selfish," he said. "On the forecheck, we go after the first man with the puck."

"I look at my linemate," he said of setting up the offensive play. "It's the connec-

tion we have with our linemates — we set Brampton back on their heels."

Of course scoring goals is important, but stopping the other team from scoring is just as important in winning games.

"We had stellar goaltending," McArthur said.

In goal for the Hawks, Matthew Milkovich had an outstanding game shutting down the Brampton shooters.

The squad will have one more game this week against Brampton with results coming after press time.



Traveling Dorado Stars pile up impressive results on the road

The Dorado Swim Club Stars wrapped up 2013 with excellent competitive results in Windsor and Hamilton.

A team of 25 swimmers travelled to the Windsor International Aquatic Centre to enjoy their new facility for a special two-night away meet. The Stars wowed the competition in Division 3 Champs by placing fifth, a mere 60 points away from the second place team. The team achieved 117 personal best times and an incredible 53 top eight finishes of 157 races. Way to go Stars!

Congratulations to podium finishers Alexandra Marculescu (first in the 200 free, second in the 100 free and third in the 50 free), Jordan McAuley (first in both the 50 and 200 free, first in the 100 back and second in the 50 back and 100 free), Taylor McAuley (second in the 400 free and 400 IM, and third in the 800 free), Madison Noonan (third in the 200 IM), Aran Pourawal (first in the 100 free, second in the 50 free, 200 fly and 400 IM, and third in the 100 fly), Ashley Riddall (third in the 100 back, 200 back and 800 free), Kiara Seow (third in the 400 and 100 free) and Angelique Singh (third in the 50 and 100 breast, and the 200 IM).

The Stars added 10 additional central region or festival qualifiers to the 14 who

had previously qualified. Recognition goes out to Sanjam Arora, Kira Eggengoor, Subreen Grewal, Rhiannon Krauter, Madison Mackenzie, Bailey Miller, Madison Noonan, Matteo Paniccia, Aimee Richards and Gowthaman Thayaparan. The Stars cheer on their teammate Tess Routcliffe, who has been selected for the Smart Track Para Camp in Florida as well as the Swim Ontario Para Development Camp.

In Hamilton, 51 Stars accomplished 91 top-five finishes and demonstrated how their hard work pays off with 201 of 288 personal best times. Top five finishers not mentioned above include Adelecia Aberdeen, Ashley Ganger, Oliver Kramer, Nishchay Multani, Alia Myers, Martin Naipaul, Allison Noonan, Emily Osborne, Bem Partington, Jaime Payne, Tavinder Pourawal, Nikolai Racicot, Tia Riarch, Akshat Suri, Abiman Thayaparan, Alena Tobin and Jamie Vuk.

The Stars have been training hard over the Christmas break and are looking forward to their next competition in Guelph.

The club welcomes swimmers to join their organization. If you are passionate about swimming and want to learn more, contact team manager Carmen Desjardins at 905-846-6213.

The Caledon minor peewee Hawks A team took on the squad from Brampton during OMHA playoffs at Caledon East Sunday. The Hawks left the ice with a 5-2 win to take their second consecutive playoff game.

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